

Application No.: 09/997081

Case No.: 57255US002

REMARKS


Claims 1-14 are pending. Claims 1-5 and 9-11 have been canceled. Claims 12-14 have been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 6-8 are amended.

Claim Objections

Claims 6-8 are amended herein so as to place them in independent form.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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